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Mr Tim Rehder
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Dear Mr Rehder

Enclosed please find three copies of the final RCRA Facility Investigation/Remedial Facility Investigation (RFI/RI) Report for Operable Unit (OU) 3, the off-site areas. This Report has been reviewed by staff from the U S Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), recent comments received from EPA and CDPHE are incorporated into the final Report. Additionally, factual comments received from the City of Westminster regarding the operation of Standley Lake have been incorporated. Two copies of this report are being delivered to CDPHE under this cover letter.

We ask that EPA inspect the RI/RFI report and transmit your final approval of the document to us at your earliest convenience, so that we may release the OU-3 Proposed Plan for public review and comment. We also request that you transmit your concurrence to release the OU-3 Proposed Plan for public comment, along with any comments EPA would like incorporated in that document. We will notify you of the date for public release of the Proposed Plan following receipt of your concurrence.

This three-volume RFI/RI Report represents the culmination of our efforts to characterize and communicate the risks to human health and the environment from the contamination present in OU-3. We are ready and anxious to proceed with public review of the OU-3 Proposed Plan, and with preparation of the Record of Decision.

Thank you for your assistance in bringing the investigation phase of OU-3 to its conclusion. If you or your staff have any comments or questions on the RFI/RI Report, or on the Proposed Plan, please call me at 966-6246.

Sincerely,

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